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***The Bridge Bible Fellowship***  
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**2 Tim. 2:1-6**

**"Build to Last"**

**To build enduring ministers and ministries we must:**

- 1. Rely On Christ's Enabling Grace – v.1.**
- 2. Relay Christ's Word – v. 2.**
- 3. Respond To Suffering For Christ Well – vv. 3-4.**
- 4. Run the Race According to God's Rules – v. 5.**
- 5. Remember that Hard Work will be Rewarded – v. 6.**

## 2 Timothy 2:1-7

### Discussion and Application:

1. In verse 1, Paul exhorted Timothy to be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. What grace is Paul talking about?
2. What does it mean to be a faithful man or women of God?
3. How can we identify the faithful men that we should be entrusting the Word of God to?
4. What are ways that we might suffer as soldiers of Christ and how can we do that well? For example: Suffering well through cancer/loss of a job or loved one/persecution?
5. How might a bad soldier of Christ respond to suffering?
6. Why is it often better to suffer for Christ instead of having Him remove our trials?
7. When do our everyday pursuits go from necessary responsibilities to entanglements?
8. Can you think of some examples of being entangled in the affairs of everyday life?
9. If we don't allow ourselves to be entangled by daily life and are freed up to serve the Lord, what kind of things could we then do for Him at home/work/school/church/in our community?
10. As athletes are required to follow the rules of their sport, what are some of the rules or ways that Christians should follow? For example: In sharing the gospel, making disciples, giving counsel, dealing with conflict, child raising and in marriage.
11. What are some traits that soldiers, athletes and farmers have in common?
12. What are some ways that we can be like a soldier, athlete and farmer in regards to our spiritual lives? For example: Sharing the gospel, dealing with temptation, growing in God's Word, discipling others, and having victory over sin in our lives.
13. What can prevent us from living like a soldier, athlete or farmer?
14. It is amazing that the Lord not only saves believers, but He will also reward them for their faithfulness, discipline and hard work. What kind of rewards will God grant His people?
15. What motivates you to live like a soldier of Christ, an athlete and a hard working farmer?